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TAGS:PINT, VE

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL ASPIRATIONS WITHIN AD RULING PARTY

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS READ WITH INTEREST DEVELOPMENTS
DISCUSSED REFTEL POINTING TOWARD INTERNAL AD MANEUERING
FOR 1978 PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDACY.

2. WHILE AT BOSTON SYMPOSIUM, AD NATIONAL EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEMBER DR. MARCO TULIO BRUNI CELLI COMMENTED
PRIVATELY ALONG SIMILAR LINES. AMONG HIS OBSERVATIONS
WERE FOLLOWING:

A. PINERUA ORDAZ PROSPECTS WERE ADVANCED BY
RECENT CABINET CHANGES BUT TIME FROM NOW
TO FORMAL CAMPAIGN PERIOD IS TOO LONG
FOR POSITIVE PREDICTION;

B. OCTAVIO LEPAGE PROSPECTS DECLINED CORRE-
SPONDINGLY BUT CAN BY NO MEANS BE DISCARDED;

C. INCLINATIONS AND PREFERENCE OF PRESIDENT
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PEREZ WILL OBVIOUSLY BE VERY IMPORTANT

BUT CANNOT BE CONSIDERED SOLE DETERMINANT

SINCE VOICES OF ROMULO BETANCOURT AND
GONZALO BARRIOS ARE STILL MAJOR ONES
AND CARRY GREAT IMPACT WITHIN THE
PARTY. KISSINGER

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